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1. The Secretariat has received a Note Verbale dated 4 August 2022 from the Permanent Mission of the Russian Federation to the Agency.
2. As requested, the Note Verbale is herewith circulated for the information of all Member States.

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The Permanent Mission of the Russian Federation to the International Organizations in Vienna presents its compliments to the Secretariat of the International Atomic Energy Agency and has the honour to transmit the following.

The Russian Federation strongly condemns the actions of the Kiev regime for disinformation and political manipulation of the situation around Ukrainian nuclear facilities. In addition to the information previously provided by the Russian side to the IAEA about the true state of affairs at the Zaporozhskaya nuclear power plant (ZNPP) and the threats deliberately created by Kiev to the normal operation of this plant, we consider it necessary to provide the following clarifications.

In the course of a special military operation, the Russian Armed Forces ensure the physical protection of the nuclear power plant, its security and defense. ZNPP personnel is operating the plant in the normal mode. Representatives of ROSATOM make sure technological processes are controlled and are ready to provide assistance to personnel in taking urgent measures in the event of a critical development of the situation.

The insinuations of the Ukrainian authorities about the physical and psychological pressure allegedly exerted by Russia on the management and employees of the ZNPP, as well as on alleged detentions, physical violence, and abductions of any of the plant personnel contradict reality. As we noted earlier, from the moment when the station was taken under protection by the Russian Armed Forces, representatives of the Zelenskiy regime exerted all possible and

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targeted pressure on the Ukrainian personnel of the ZNPP, threatening reprisals for "collaboration with the occupiers."

The Russian representatives in their turn managed to establish constructive interaction with the plant personnel, win their trust and create conditions for normal work at the NPP. We intend to continue to ensure the safe operation of the station, despite Kiev's ongoing attempts to create emergencies at the Zaporozhskaya NPP with unpredictable consequences, as was the case during recent UAV attacks on the station arranged by the Armed Forces of Ukraine.

The Russian side is also making every possible effort to provide civilians with everything they need in the city of Energodar located near the station. In particular, three humanitarian actions have been organized and carried out to deliver more than 7.5 tons of vital medicines to the city's medical institutions.

The groundless accusations by the Ukrainian side about blocking the supply of spare parts and equipment to the ZNPP have nothing to do with the real state of affairs. The necessary equipment, at the request of the station management, was delivered by the Russian military in March, April, May and July of this year.

Kiev's accusations that the presence of Russian military equipment at the ZNPP site allegedly poses a risk to the safe operation of the plant and interferes with the work of its fire equipment are an outright lie. Several units of transport equipment and communication vehicles are located on the territory of the station to ensure the safety of its operation in the conditions of the use of sabotage groups and UAVs by the Ukrainian Armed Forces. The mentioned technique does not pose any danger and does not interfere with the functioning of the station.

The Russian side is ready to assist the Agency's leadership in organizing an international mission to ZNPP to carry out activities within the framework of the implementation of safeguards, as well as monitoring the state of nuclear safety and security. We are interested in the IAEA having the most complete and objective idea of the state of affairs at the station and shedding light on the criminal acts of Kiev, which go beyond all existing norms, as well as beyond the bounds of reason.

The Permanent Mission of the Russian Federation requests the Secretariat to circulate this information among all IAEA Member States as soon as possible.

The Permanent Mission of the Russian Federation avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the IAEA Secretariat the assurances of its highest consideration.

Vienna, "04" August 2022